

House Resolution 733

By: Representatives Mumford of the 95th, Mangham of the 94th, Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 46th, Johnson of the 37th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and remembering the life of Judge Clarence Roland Vaughn, Jr.; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Judge Clarence Roland Vaughn, Jr., a lifelong resident of Rockdale County,
4 died at his home in Conyers, on Monday, March 26, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, in June 1942, after graduating from North Georgia College, he married the late
6 Doris Henson Vaughn; and

7 WHEREAS, he entered the armed forces as a Second Lieutenant and was promoted to the
8 rank of Captain, serving four years during World War II, including 26 months overseas in
9 the European Theater, 6th Cavalry, 3rd Army under the command of General George Patton,
10 where he received the bronze star for meritorious service; and

11 WHEREAS, upon his return, he graduated from the University of Georgia Law School,
12 passed the State Bar, and began practice with his father, Clarence R. Vaughn, Sr.; and

13 WHEREAS, he served as a State Senator for one term in 1959, and in 1960, he was elected
14 to the House of Representatives and served for 22 years. During his terms as Representative,
15 he was Floor Leader for the Governor, and served as Majority Leader from 1974-1982; and

16 WHEREAS, Judge Vaughn was elected the first Superior Court Judge of the newly formed
17 Rockdale Judicial Circuit and began service on January 1, 1982, and served the circuit as
18 Chief Judge; and

19 WHEREAS, Judge Vaughn was a lifelong member of the Conyers First United Methodist
20 Church, where he served on the Board and as Superintendent of Sunday School for 18 years;
21 and

1 WHEREAS, he was Chairman of Trustees for Salem Camp Ground and was a trustee and
2 chairman of the Vaughn-Jordon Foundation, a member of the Rotary Club, VFW, American
3 Legion, and a 32nd degree Mason. He will be remembered for his generous gifts to the
4 community, including the Conyers Rockdale Council for the Arts, The Rockdale County
5 Historical Society, and the Rockdale Medical Center; and

6 WHEREAS, in addition to his love of his family, law, and community, Judge Vaughn was
7 known for his love of flowers, particularly the orchids he nurtured in his greenhouses; and

8 WHEREAS, he is survived by sons, Alvin H. Vaughn and C. Roland Vaughn III;
9 daughters-in-law, Paula Vaughn and Susan Vaughn; niece, Harriet R. Powell; and devoted
10 friend, Barbara Englehardt. Other survivors include grandchildren, Alvin and his wife
11 Robin, Julia, Rebekah, Michael, and Clare Vaughn; and great-grandchildren, Keagan Stone,
12 Jackson Vaughn, and Jake Vaughn.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
14 the members of this body join in honoring the life of Judge Clarence Roland Vaughn, Jr., and
15 remembering all his many outstanding contributions to Georgia.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
17 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Judge
18 Clarence Roland Vaughn, Jr.